

4 Issues that Kalimah at-Tawhid Confirms and Rejects:

Know that, may Allah mercy upon you! Meaning of La ilaha illallah is **Nafy** (rejection) and **Ithbat** (confirmation). La ilaha rejects and illallah confirms; rejects 4 issues and confirms 4 issues as well. Rejects the **al-Aliha** (plural of Ilah), **at-Tawaghit** (plural of Taghout), **al-Andad** (plural of Nidd) and **al-Arbab** (plural of Rabb).

Ilah is the thing that you direct yourself towards so that you bring forth the Khayr (goodness) and dispel (harm). So you take it as an Ilah.

Taghut is the one who is worshiped and the one who is content (with it) or presents himself as a person which Ibadaah (worship) should be directed to. Such as Shamman, Tadj or Abu Hadida.

Andad: Everything, that keeps you away from the Din of Islam; from your family or home or tribe or wealth is a Nidd (compeer, equal).

Allah Ta'ala's (statement): "Yet there are men who take others besides Allah, as equal (with Allah): They love them as they should love Allah." (al-Baqarah 2/165)

al-Arbab is the one who issues a Fatwa (verdict) so that you oppose al-Haqq (the truth) and you obey him.

(Allah) Ta'ala's Qavl (statement): "They take their priests and their anchorites to be their lords beside Allah, and (they take as their Lord) Isa the son of Maryam; yet they were commanded to worship but One God. there is no god but He. Praise and glory to Him: (Far is He) from having the partners they associate (with Him)." (at-Tawbah 9/31)

It (the Kalimah) confirms 4 issues:

al-Qasd (inclination): not inclining to anyone other than Allah, **at-Ta'dhim** (reverence) and **al-Muhabbah** (compassion, love), statement of (Allah) Azza wa Jalla:

"But those of Faith are overflowing in their love for Allah." (al-Baqarah 2/165)

al-Khawf (fear) and **al-Rajah** (hope), statement of (Allah) Ta'ala: "If Allah do touch thee with hurt, there is none can remove it but He (i.e., Allah): if He do design some benefit for thee, there is none can keep back His favor: He causeth it to reach whomsoever of His servants He pleaseth. And He is the Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful." (**Yunus 10/107**)

Whoever knows this, will have cut his relation with other than Allah, and the grim look of al-Baatil (falsehood) will have no significance for him. Like the news which Allah informed us of Ibrahim, may the best of the blessings of Allah be upon our Nabi (Muhammad) and him, concerning him breaking the idols and his keeping distant from his tribe:

"There is for you an excellent example (to follow) in Ibrahim and those with him, when they said to their people: We are clear of you and of whatever ye worship besides Allah: we have rejected you." (**al-Mumtahinah 60/4**)

Muhammad ibni Abd'il-Wahhab
al-Jawahir'ul Mudiyya, 34-35